

Notice of Decision

Project Title: Amer

Amendments to the Low-Emission Vehicle III Greenhouse Gas Emission

Regulation (SCH# 2011122029)

Project Location:

Statewide

Public Meeting Date:

September 28, 2018; Agenda Item #18-7-5

Project Description:

Amendments to the Low-Emission Vehicle III greenhouse gas emission regulation to clarify that the "deemed to comply" option for model years 2021 through 2025 is applicable only if the currently

adopted federal regulations remain in effect.

This notice is to advise that the California Air Resources Board (CARB or Board), as the lead agency, adopted the above regulatory action on September 28, 2018.

CARB determined that the LEV III amendments are covered by the prior environmental analysis (EA) previously certified for LEV III in March 2012 when it was proposed as part of the package of regulations referred to as the Advance Clean Cars Program (ACC). The 2011 ACC EA provided a programmatic level analysis of the potential environmental impacts associated with the ACC Program, including LEV III. No adverse environmental impacts were identified for the LEV III regulations. The current amendments do not involve any changes that result in new significant adverse impacts and there are no changes in circumstances or new information that would otherwise warrant any subsequent environmental review. An explanation of CARB's decision to not prepare a subsequent or supplemental EA for the amendments is included in the functional equivalent of an addendum to the 2011 ACC EA in Chapter VII of the Staff Report (Initial Statement of Reasons) released August 10, 2018.

Staff prepared written responses to comments received that raised significant environmental issues pertaining to this item. The written responses to these environmental comments are included in the Response to Environmental Comments on the Proposed Amendments to the Low-Emission Vehicle III Greenhouse Gas Emission Regulation. Before taking final action, the Board considered and approved written responses to these comments as required by CARB's certified regulations. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 17. § 60007(a).)

The Staff Report (which includes the functional equivalent of an addendum to the 2011 ACC EA), and all other related documents, including the *Response to Environmental Comments on the Proposed Amendments to the Low-Emission Vehicle III Greenhouse Gas Emission Regulation* are available for public inspection on the CARB rulemaking webpage at: https://www.arb.ca.gov/regact/2018/lcfs18/ltfs18.htm

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These documents may also be examined at:

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